(*d*) The member is referred to the answer given to question No. 36 asked by Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai at the meeting of the Council held on the 1st August 1927.

(*e*) The member is referred to the answer given to question No. 67 asked by Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai at the meeting of the Council held on the 5th August 1927.

(*f*) No.

Report of the University Committee.

219. **MR. N. KUMARAN** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) when the University Committee submitted its report to the Government; and

(*b*) whether they will furnish copies of the report to the members of this House?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) 8th January 1925.

(*b*) The answer is in the negative.

MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): Is the member aware that the University Committee was appointed at the instance of this Council?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): Then why are the reports not made available to the members of this Council?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It has been said that the copies will be distributed to the members of the Council, when the question comes up for consideration.

MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): That is to say, Government are waiting for the discussion of the subject in the Council when the Government will distribute copies to members?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): Not before that?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No.

Exemption of Boats and Canoes in Kuttanad from the operation of the Canals and Ferries Regulation.

220. **MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Ambalapuzha*): (1) Are the Government aware that the operation of the Canals and Ferries Regulation in Kuttanad causes hardship and inconvenience to inhabitants?

(2) If so, will the Government be pleased to exempt boats and canoes in use in Kuttanad region from the operation of the Canals and Ferries Regulation?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (1) Yes. From the address presented to the Dewan during his tour in Kuttanad, it is understood that some inconvenience is caused to the inhabitants there by the operation of the Public Canals and Public Ferries Regulation.

(2) The matter will be carefully considered.

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MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): From the answer to the question, am I to understand that there was only one address presented to the Dewan during his tour in Kuttanad.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): There may have been more.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): Was this particular grievance brought to the notice of the Dewan only in one address?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): May be.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): What I want to know is whether there was not a universal complaint and almost all the addresses presented to the Dewan did not make mention of those grievances.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): May I know further whether any step has been taken in this direction?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The matter is under consideration and the Government are proposing to refer the matter to the Chief Engineer.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): Am I to understand that the Government have taken up the question?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

Disbanded Computor-Draftsmen of the Land Records Office.

221. MR. KURANDIPALLIL R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Quilon*): Will the Government be pelased to state:

(*a*) whether the disbanded Computor-Draftsmen of the Land Records Department were provided for in the Survey Department;

(*b*) whether some Computor-Draftsmen are going to be newly entertained in the Survey Office for Land Records work; and

(*c*) if so, whether these disbanded Computor-Draftsmen will be given preference in filling up those new appointments?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Some of the disbanded Computor-Draftsmen were provided for in some of the vacancies that occurred.

(*b*) Yes; provision has been included in the preliminary budget estimate for 1103 M. E.

(*c*) The claims of the disbanded Computor-Draftsmen will be considered.

Bridge at Nandukulam on the Minadam-Pampadi Road.

222. MR. K. K. THOMAS (*Kottayam*): (1) Are the Government aware:

(*a*) of the neglected condition of the Minadam-Pampadi road at the western section; and

(*b*) of the difficulties that the people are put to, for want of a small bridge at the place called Nandukulam?

(2) Will they be pleased to order the Public Works Department to have the bridge completed as early as possible?

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